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NURSING NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE AMERICAN NURSES' ASSOCIATION

The chairman of the Committee on Revision, Sarah E. Sly, Birmingham, Mich., asks that in states where reorganization is not complete, the persons or committees working on such plans should communicate with her before completing their plans or having their new by-laws printed. Each association is reminded that its by-laws should be approved by the national committee. If they have written and received no reply, they are asked to write again, as letters sometimes go astray. The other members of the Committee are Helen F. Greaney, Philadelphia, and the secretary of the American Nurses' Association. The following plan for alumnae by-laws has been drawn up by the national committee as a suggested form which complies with the requirements of the reorganization. If an association is incorporated, its articles of incorporation take the place of a constitution and should be printed with the by-laws.

Suggested Plan for Alumnae By-Laws to Conform to the Plan of Reorganization of the American Nurses' Association

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I—NAME

This association shall be known as.....

ARTICLE II—OBJECT

Section 1.—For mutual help and improvement in professional work and for promotion of good fellowship among the graduates of this school.

Sec. 2.—For the advancement of the interests of the..... training school for nurses.

Sec. 3.—(Where there are districts).—In coöperation with District Association No. of the State Nurses' Association and the American Nurses' Association, to work for the promotion of the professional and educational advancement of nursing.

ARTICLE III—MEMBERSHIP

Section 1.—Graduates of the training school for nurses in good standing are eligible for membership which shall consist of two classes: active or resident, and non-resident members.

(a) Active members shall be those who are residing in the district of which this alumnae association is a part. This membership includes membership in District No., in the State Nurses' Association, and in the American Nurses' Association.

(b) Non-resident members are those whose residence is not in District No. (Former members who are permanently located elsewhere).

Sec. 2.—Honorary membership may be conferred on persons who have rendered service to this alumnae association and whom its members wish to honor and confers social privileges only.

Sec. 3.—Nurses desiring to become members of this association shall fill out an application form provided by the Association and shall send it with dues for the first year to the secretary.

ARTICLE IV—OFFICERS

Section 1.—The officers of this association shall be President, a First Vice-President, a Second Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and four Directors.

Sec. 2.—These nine officers shall constitute a Board of Directors.

Sec. 3.—All officers shall be elected by ballot at the annual meeting and shall continue in office one year or until their successors are elected.

ARTICLE V—MEETINGS

Section 1.—The annual meeting shall be held in each year.

Sec. 2.—Regular meetings shall be held

Sec. 3.—Special meetings may be called by the president or on request of ten members of the association.

ARTICLE VI—AMENDMENTS

This constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present provided a copy of the proposed amendments has been sent to each member at least ten days before the meeting.

BY-LAWS

ARTICLE I—DUES

Section 1.—The annual dues for active members shall be \$..... payable in advance, which shall include dues to District Association No., to the State Association, and to the American Nurses' Association.

Sec. 2.—The annual dues for non-resident members shall be \$.....

Sec. 3.—Members failing to pay dues before shall be at once notified by the treasurer and those not paying before shall forfeit the rights of membership and their names shall be taken from the roll of members.

Sec. 4.—Members who have been dropped for non-payment of dues may be reinstated by the payment of dues for the current year.

ARTICLE II—DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1.—The regular term of office shall commence with the adjournment of the annual meeting at which they were elected.

Sec. 2.—The duties of all officers shall be such as are implied by their respective titles and such as are specified in these by-laws.

Sec. 3.—The secretary shall receive and present all applications for membership, keep an accurate classified list of the membership of the association, with the address of each member, and on the day of shall take from the roll of members the names of all whose dues have not been paid. She shall notify officers of their election and committees of their appointment, notify the members of the time and place of all special meetings, and in general conduct the correspondence of the association. She shall send to the secretary of District No. of the State Nurses' Association the names and addresses of all active members immediately after their election. She shall order all stationery and printing as recommended by the association.

Sec. 4.—The treasurer shall collect all dues, shall pay all bills upon warrant signed by the president and keep a record of all money received and expended.

On the day of she shall pay to the treasurer of District No. the annual dues of per capita for active members on the basis of membership taken

Sec. 5.—The books of the treasurer shall be audited.

Sec. 6.—The secretary and the treasurer shall each give a written report at the annual meeting.

Sec. 7.—The Board of Directors shall act upon all applications for membership, shall investigate all charges against members, and shall transact the business of the association in the interim between meetings.

ARTICLE III—COMMITTEES

Section 1.—There shall be standing committees of not less than three members each, namely: Programme, Nominating, and These committees shall be elected by the members at each annual meeting. (Such other committees may be added as are necessary.)

Sec. 2.—The Programme Committee shall include the secretary and shall arrange a programme for the meetings of the year and shall send important notices and news of the association to THE AMERICAN JOURNAL OF NURSING.

Sec. 3.—The Nominating Committee shall prepare a ticket of nominations consisting of one or more names for each office to be filled and who have consented to serve if elected, a copy of which shall be presented at the annual meeting.

ARTICLE IV—VOTING BODY

The voting body shall consist of the active members of the Association in good standing.

ARTICLE V—QUORUM

Section 1.—Two officers and five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular meeting.

Sec. 2.—Three members shall constitute a quorum for a meeting of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VI—ORDER OF BUSINESS

The order of business at any regular meeting shall be: Call to Order; Reading of Minutes; Reports of Officers; Reports of Standing Committees and Special Committees; Unfinished Business; Communications; New Business; (at an annual meeting) Election of Officers and of Standing Committees.

ARTICLE VII—FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of this association shall be the calendar year.

ARTICLE VIII—PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules of parliamentary procedure comprised in Parliamentary Usage for Women's Clubs, by Mrs. Emma A. Fox, shall be the authority of all meetings of this association, and of the Board of Directors, subject to special rules which may at any time be adopted.

ARTICLE IX—AMENDMENTS

Section 1.—By-laws may be amended, adopted or repealed at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present provided notice of the changes has been mailed to all members at least ten days previous to the meeting.

Sec. 2.—By-laws may be amended at any meeting without previous notice by a unanimous vote of all present.

REPORT OF NURSES' RELIEF FUND, FEBRUARY, 1919

Receipts

Previously acknowledged	\$3,376.80
Interest on bonds	45.00
A public health nurse	12.50
Broad Street Hospital Association, Oneida, N. Y.....	5.00
Asbury Hospital Alumnae Association, Minneapolis.....	25.00
Individual members, Rochester General Hospital Alumnae: K. Weldner Mrs. Lindsay Russ, Lucy Bailey, K. Asseltine, Grace Coleman, \$1.00 each; Carlotta Hermann, \$2.00	7.00
Jessie Broadhurst, Oneida, N. Y.....	5.00
Etta Trichler, Altoona, Kansas	5.00
Susan Voorhees, Jacksonville, Fla.	2.00
Individual Members of the Monmouth Memorial Hospital Alumnae Asso- ciation, Long Branch, N. J.: Mrs. Scott, Minnie Ireland, Lillian W. Bloodgood, \$1.00 each	3.00
Helen F. Greaney, Philadelphia	5.00
Bozeman Deaconess Hospital Alumnae Association, Bozeman, Montana..	15.00
Chattanooga District Nurses' Association, Tennessee.....	25.00
Alumnae Association of New York City Training School, New York City	25.00
California State Nurses' Association, Mrs. Janette F. Peterson, Chairman	21.00
Alumnae Association, Illinois Training School, Chicago.....	50.00
Nurses' Auxiliary of Altoona Hospital, Altoona, Pa.....	10.00
Alumnae Association Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston, Me....	10.00
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	\$3,647.30

Disbursements

Application approved, No. 2, 38th payment.....	\$10.00
Application approved, No. 5, 25th payment.....	20.00
Application approved, No. 6, 34th payment.....	15.00
Application approved, No. 7, 28th payment.....	15.00
Application approved, No. 11, 25th payment.....	15.00
Application approved, No. 14, 13th payment.....	15.00
Application approved, No. 15, 8th payment.....	15.00
Application approved, No. 16, 5th payment.....	20.00
Application approved, No. 17, 1st payment.....	15.00
Application approved, No. 18, 1st payment.....	50.00
Exchange on cheques30
Stationery, Styles and Cash	18.50
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	\$3,438.50
13 Bonds	13,000.00
2 Certificates of stock	2,000.00
6 Liberty bonds	6,000.00
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Balance March 1, 1919	\$24,438.50

Contributions for the Relief Fund should be sent to Mrs. C. V. Twiss, Treasurer, 419 West 144th Street, New York City, and cheques made payable to the Farmers Loan and Trust Company, New York City. For information, address E. E. Golding, Chairman, 317 West 45th Street, New York City.

M. LOUISE TWISS, R. N., Treasurer.

THE NATIONAL LEAGUE OF NURSING EDUCATION

The Congress Hotel, Michigan Avenue, Chicago, has been chosen for headquarters for the annual convention to be held the fourth week in June. Other hotels recommended by the committee are: The Blackstone, The Auditorium, Hotel LaSalle, Hotel Sherman. Members are urged to make early hotel reservations.

BENA M. HENDERSON, Chairman Arrangements Committee.

ARMY NURSE CORPS

It gives us much pleasure to announce that, in consequence of recommendation of the Surgeon General, Beatrice M. MacDonald has been and Helen Grace McClelland and Isabel Stambaugh will be awarded the distinguished service cross by the War Department.

The War Department authorizes publication of the following:

"By direction of the President, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 9, 1918, the distinguished-service cross is awarded to:

"Miss Beatrice MacDonald, reserve nurse, Army Nurse Corps, for extraordinary heroism while on duty with the surgical team at the British Casualty Clearing Station No. 61, British Area. During a German night air raid she continued at her post of duty, caring for the sick and wounded until seriously wounded by a German bomb, thereby losing one eye.

"Remarks of the Secretary of War at presentation of distinguished-service medal and crosses, February 27, 1919:

"On the present occasion I have the pleasure of conferring one distinguished-service cross and some distinguished-service medals.

"The distinguished-service cross was established in our service as a reward for conspicuous gallantry, and for the most part is nearly always conferred in the field of action where the battling armies are. The fortunes of war, however, took some of our personnel into association with the British Armies, and among those who had an opportunity there to display distinguished gallantry, some were wounded and returned to this country before the proper assessment of their service could be made on the other side. One such case is presented to-day, and, in the name of the Government of the United States, and on behalf of the Army, I have the honor to award that cross. It is interesting to note that this cross is to be conferred upon a woman and a nurse. This war has, of course, taken the nurses, who are the ministers of mercy, up to the very front lines of battle, and because of the carrying of the war into the third dimension, the airplane has, of course, made their task more perilous.

"In the case we have before us Miss Beatrice MacDonald, reserve nurse, Army Nurse Corps, for extraordinary heroism while on duty with the surgical team at the British Casualty Clearing Station No. 61, British Area. During a German night air raid she continued at her post of duty caring for the sick and wounded until seriously wounded by a German bomb, thereby losing one eye.

"It gives me great pleasure in conferring this cross to say that the Army of the United States is under deep obligation to the nurses who served so gallantly and so faithfully; that our losses in this way were so slight, relatively, is undoubtedly due to the fidelity, self-sacrifice, and heroism of the women of the Nurse Corps who ministered to our wounded at the very front."

The above ceremony, which was very dignified and impressive, was witnessed by the following members of the nursing profession: Miss Noyes, president of

the American Nurses' Association; Miss Beard, president of the National Organization for Public Health Nursing; Miss Goodrich, Dean of the Army School of Nursing; Anna C. Maxwell, principal of the Training School for Nurses of the Presbyterian Hospital, New York City; Miss Rutley and Miss Bell, assistant superintendents, Army Nurse Corps and Miss Thompson, superintendent, Army Nurse Corps.

Miss MacDonald, who sailed for Europe shortly after the declaration of war, with U. S. Army Base Hospital No. 2, is a graduate of the New York City Training School, Blackwell's Island, New York. Since graduation she has served as surgical assistant with Dr. George E. Brewer, New York City. After Miss MacDonald's injury, at her own request, she remained on duty with the American Expeditionary Forces, serving as Chief Nurse with Evacuation Hospital No. 2, for a period of nine months.

As Nurses Helen McClelland and Isabel Stambaugh were still serving overseas, their decoration will be presented later. General Ireland in his recommendation of these nurses made the following statement:

"Miss Helen G. McClelland, Reserve Nurse, Army Nurse Corps, Base Hospital No. 10 (Philadelphia, U. S. A.), occupied the same tent with Miss MacDonald, cared for her when wounded, stopped hemorrhage from her wounds, under fire caused by bombs from German aeroplanes, while on duty with the surgical team at British Casualty Clearing Station No. 61. Both these nurses, it is understood, were mentioned in despatches by Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig, January 1, 1918.

"Miss Isabel Stambaugh, Reserve Nurse, Army Nurse Corps, Base Hospital No. 10 (Philadelphia, U. S. A.), while with a surgical team at a British Casualty Clearing Station during the big German drive of March 21, 1918, in front of Amiens, France, was seriously wounded by shell fire from German aeroplanes."

Miss McClelland is a graduate of Pennsylvania Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., and sailed for Europe with U. S. Army Base Hospital No. 10.

Miss Stambaugh is a graduate of the Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia, Pa., and later served for two years as head operating nurse at same hospital. She also was a member of U. S. Army Base Hospital No. 10.

The revenue bill which was recently enacted authorizes the issue of a sixty-dollar bonus to all officers, nurses and enlisted men, under the following provisions:

"That all persons serving in the military or naval forces of the United States during the present war who have since April 6, 1917, resigned or been discharged under honorable conditions (or, in the case of reservists, been placed on inactive duty), or who at any time hereafter (but not later than the termination of the current enlistment or term of service) in the case of the enlisted personnel and female nurses, or within one year after the termination of the present war in the case of officers, may resign or be discharged under honorable conditions (or, in the case of reservists, be placed on inactive duty), shall be paid, in addition to all other amounts due them in pursuance of law, \$60 each. This amount shall not be paid (1) to any person who though appointed or inducted into the military or naval forces on or prior to November 11, 1918, had not reported for duty at his station on or prior to such date; or (2) to any person who has already received one month's pay under the provisions of section 9 of the act entitled, 'An act to authorize the President to increase temporarily the military establishment of the United States,' approved May 18, 1917; or (3) to any person who is entitled to retired pay; or (4) to the heirs or legal representatives of any person entitled to

any payment under this section who has died or may die before receiving such payment. In the case of any person who, subsequent to separation from the service as above specified, has been appointed or inducted into the military or naval forces of the United States, and has been or is again separated from the service as above specified, only one payment of \$60 shall be made. The above amount, in the case of separation from the service on or prior to the passage of this act, shall be paid as soon as practicable after the passage of this act, and, in the case of separation from the service after the passage of this act, shall be paid at the time of such separation. The amounts herein provided for shall be paid out of the appropriation for 'pay of the Army' and 'pay of the Navy,' respectively, by such disbursing officers as may be designated by the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy. The Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy, respectively, shall make all regulations necessary for the enforcement of the provisions of this section.

"All persons separated from active military service after receipt of these instructions who are entitled to the bonus of \$60 provided for in the act quoted will be credited with and paid such bonus upon their final pay vouchers. In the event that they have been separated from active service prior to receipt of these instructions, but have not yet received final pay, the disbursing officer making final settlement will include and pay the bonus of \$60 in making such settlement. Disbursing officers making payment of \$60 bonus in connection with final settlement will make indorsement in each case on the discharge certificate or discharge order, if no certificate is issued, of each person showing specifically that such bonus was paid."

"Persons separated from active military service from April 6, 1917, to date of receipt of these instructions, who are entitled to the bonus, and who have received their final pay, are directed to forward claim for such bonus to the zone finance officer, Lemon building, in this city, who is designated to settle such claims. These applicants are directed that their applications must contain: (a) The discharge or relief, if no certificate was issued, but both certificate and order if both were issued, the paper bearing indorsement of final payment being required; (b) a statement of all military service since April 6, 1917, showing place and date of reporting at first military station, and (c) address to which check is to be sent. When settlement is made all personal papers will be returned to applicant with check. No further correspondence is necessary, except to advise of change in address of applicant. No other disbursing officers are authorized to pay claims covered by this paragraph."

The revenue bill also provides that pay not to exceed \$3,500 received during the present war by persons in the military or naval forces of the United States, as salary or compensation in any form from United States for active service in such forces, shall be exempt from income tax.

The chief nurses' pay which was inadvertently reduced in the Army appropriation bill which passed Congress July 9, 1918, has been corrected by changing the clause "chief nurses, \$120 in addition to the pay of a nurse" to "chief nurses, \$360 in addition to pay of a nurse. This will be retroactive and effective as on and from July 9, 1918.

During February, 984 nurses have been relieved from active service in the military establishment; 497 nurses returned from overseas. The nursing personnel of Base Hospitals No. 2, 18, 29, 23, and 37 were among this number.

HONOR ROLL

Died in the Service of Their Country

Sophia Ellen Morrison	February 10, 1919	United States
Eva Taylor	February 26, 1919	United States
Jessie P. Baldwin	February 6, 1919	Europe
Felicita W. Hecht	February 3, 1919	Europe
Carmelite O'Conner	February 13, 1919	Europe
Dorothy Koelliner	February 10, 1919	Europe
Gertrude O'Conner	February 9, 1919	Europe

DORA E. THOMPSON,
Superintendent, Army Nurse Corps.

THE DEPARTMENT OF NURSING AND HEALTH, ALUMNAE
REUNION, TEACHERS' COLLEGE

This department was most ably represented in the first general meeting on February 21, by Prof. Annie W. Goodrich, Dean of the Army School of Nursing, who told of the Nursing Program of the Army. Miss Goodrich is one of our most loved leaders. No other person could have gathered about her the well equipped women who have helped so markedly in establishing this unique school. The Army plans to continue the School, expecting thereby to raise the status of the army hospitals, since all agree that the best nursing is done where there is an enthusiastic student body. Miss Goodrich says that militarism, if not killed, is at least not the monastic institution of the past. It would seem that a grateful government could not do less than bestow upon Miss Goodrich an insignia of rank which would be commensurate with her achievement in organizing this Army School. The conferences of February 22, as well as the luncheon of that day, were unusually well attended. Miss Nutting, in the opening address, stated that the nursing problems of the past year, though extraordinarily heavy, had been on the whole, well met. There has at no time been a shortage of trained nurses for overseas service, although transportation has not always been adequate. The shortage of nurses during the epidemic was inevitable. There was a shortage of physicians, druggists, drugs, undertakers, and grave diggers. To be able to meet the demand of such a time would mean that thousands of nurses would be unemployed between epidemics. The outlook for the future is good. Training schools have wakened up a good deal in the last few years. Cherished traditions have been overthrown. Experiments have been made. Pupils, in several instances, have been allowed to live outside the School. Courses have been shortened for college women. Shorter hours have been introduced in a few more schools. There have been a few gifts of money, making possible better training school work.

Miss Gilman, of Rochester, spoke on The Elimination of Non-essentials in the Training of the Nurse. (Published in the March issue of the JOURNAL.) Anne H. Strong's plea for Possible Adjustments in the Training to Meet the Needs of Public Health Nurses, followed very appropriately. The training of nurses for the field of Public Health is a task of magnitude and imperative necessity. New York City, with its millions, presents, of itself, an enormous problem. It is estimated that we are caring for only one-tenth of the sick, in hospitals, and we know that private nurses are not available for more than a small proportion of the remaining nine-tenths. In order to prepare the large force of public health nurses needed, some adjustments in our present system are felt to be necessary. (Miss Strong's plan will be presented later to JOURNAL readers.)

One of the most appreciated speakers of the morning was Miss Day, from the Department of Elementary Education, who spoke on the Principles which May Be Regarded as Fundamental in School Supervision. There was much food for thought in these principles. Supervision should be a matter of rendering expert service to those supervised in response to their *felt needs*. Miss Day said that supervision which does not preserve and develop the individuality of the supervised is useless, that the relation between supervisor and supervised must be genuinely democratic, that supervision is an opportunity to *serve*, not to exert personal power. One principle which we should all bear in mind is that we are dealing with our intellectual peers, and should render the same respect we expect to receive. Miss Day emphasized the need of a sound knowledge of the basic principles of modern psychology, sociology, and philosophy if one is to be a successful supervisor. At the luncheon, many of the Alumnae gave interesting accounts of experiences in nursing work with the Army and the Red Cross, overseas and at home. Letters were read from Sara E. Parsons and Carrie M. Hall. Miss Nutting suggested that next year a dinner might be held, instead of the luncheon, to avoid the inevitable feeling of being hurried on when all would be so glad to linger and discuss intimately their achievements and failures. Mrs. Jenkins entertained the members of the Alumnae at tea and Major Orrin S. Wightman gave an interesting illustrated talk of his experience as member of a Red Cross Commission to Roumania. The meetings left a feeling of much good work done, and much more and better work ahead. The war is over, but the war against poverty, disease and ignorance continues.

Arkansas.—THE ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS will hold an examination for the state registration of nurses at the State Capitol, Little Rock, on May 20 and 21, at 9 a. m. For further information, apply to the Secretary, Sister Bernard, St. Vincent's Infirmary, Little Rock. THE ARKANSAS STATE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its sixth annual meeting at St. Vincent's Infirmary, Little Rock, December 10 and 11. In the absence of Miss Hutchinson, who was in service, the first vice president, Katherine Dillon, presided. Annie Bremyer was selected as secretary pro tem, in the absence of Miss Simms, who was also in service. The sum of \$125 was pledged to the Nurses' Relief Fund. Miss Bremyer was chosen to represent the association at the conference called to meet that month in Chicago. Officers elected are: President, Katherine Dillon, Little Rock; vice presidents, Menia Tye, Fort Smith; Mrs. D. F. Deubler and Gertrude Letbetter, Little Rock; recording secretary, Mrs. Wanda Finkphinder, Little Rock; corresponding secretary, Annie Bremyer, El Dorado; treasurer, Mrs. A. M. Zoll, Little Rock.

Colorado.—NEW OFFICERS of the State Association are: President, Mrs. Lathrop Taylor, Fort Collins; secretary, Mrs. Frank Pine, 301 West Ormon Avenue, Pueblo.

Connecticut.—MEETINGS OF THE NURSING organizations of the state were held in Waterbury, in St. John's Parish House, January 29 and 30. The League held its annual meeting on the afternoon of the 29th, followed by a dinner, with a mass meeting in the evening. The Public Health Organization met on the morning of the 30th, and the State Association in the afternoon. At the League meeting, Annie Doyle presented the government's plan for control of venereal disease, and there was an address by Adda Eldredge, interstate secretary, who was a great help in making the conference a success. Harriet Allyn gave a report of the Chicago conference. At the evening meeting, an address was given by Lieutenant Wilfred Beardsley of the Chief Sanitary Corps. At the

Public Health meeting, reports were given as follows: Chicago conference, Mary Grace Hills; General Visiting Nursing, Henrietta Van Cleft; Pre-natal Nursing, Martha J. Wilkinson; Child Welfare, Abbie M. Gilbert; Tuberculosis, Margaret Gillis; School Nursing, Margaret Barrett. At the state meeting, the question of Rank for Nurses was discussed and a vote was taken to approve pushing the Lewis-Raker bill. A state committee was formed to work for it. Mary Grace Hills has been chosen president of the State Association. **NEW HAVEN.**—THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE of the New Haven Hospital, realizing that the influenza has made such demands on the student nurses as to prohibit proper study and rest, has appropriated a sum of \$25,000 to secure for six months enough graduate nurses for general ward duty and enough extra ward maids to make it possible for the students to enjoy the unusual educational advantages possible through the curriculum as planned; and instruction given by members of the Yale University Medical School and Connecticut Training School faculties, and yet allow a daily average of 250 patients in the hospital. A NURSES' CENTRAL REGISTRY has been established in this city, directly, perhaps, the outcome of conditions emphasized by the war and the influenza epidemic, but indirectly the acceptance of an expedient developed and advocated by all the prominent leaders in nursing education as a means of dignifying and elevating the nursing profession. The objects of the Central Registry are to aid the medical profession and the public in securing qualified nurses; to promote the educational and social standards of the nursing profession; to support and defend the law relating to nurses. Comprising as it does, nurses of all standards of ability and qualifications,—graduated, practical, institutional, hourly, and public health, all of whose credentials must be investigated; it dignifies coöperation, and at the same time acts as a control upon inefficiency. It will centralize the nursing force of the city, establish a bureau of information for the benefit of the doctors, the nurses and the public; furnish a backing and guarantee that a nurse is in good standing and in every way promote the progress and development of the nursing profession. It is a plan that has been attended with great success in every city where it has been adopted, and at a great saving of time and money to the nurses. The New Haven committee is composed of the presidents of the nurses' alumnae associations, superintendents of nurses from the hospitals, the nurses' Y. W. C. A., and private duty nurses. Through the courtesy of the New Haven Medical Association, the committee has secured a room for an office in the Medical Library, 234 Church Street. Marian Dibblee, a prominent alumna of the Massachusetts General Hospital, is the Registrar, and with her assistant will be on duty every day and can be reached by telephone at night, thus giving a twenty-four-hour service. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE CONNECTICUT TRAINING SCHOOL with the coöperation of the alumnae association gave a dinner at the New Haven Hospital on February 27 for the returned nurses who had gone overseas in August, 1917, in the medical unit under Dr. Joseph Marshall Flint. All the alumnae were invited and nearly one hundred attended the dinner which was greatly enjoyed. Afterward special views taken by Dr. Flint, "over there," were thrown on the screen. There were ten graduates of the Connecticut Training School in the Yale Mobile Unit. At the March meeting of the alumnae association, a talk was given by Marian Dibblee of Boston, explaining the method and aim of the new Central Registry. Miss Landis, superintendent of the school, also gave a talk, using pictures. **HARTFORD.**—ON MARCH 1, a pupil nurse of the Hartford Hospital Training School began a two months' course with the social service worker of the hospital. This course is to be given to as many as possible who desire it and who show an adaptability for it.

District of Columbia.—THE GRADUATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION, on March 3, heard an address by Mrs. Helen Hoy Greeley of New York on Relative Rank for Nurses. Those nurses present who had seen army service were keenly interested and after the meeting told Mrs. Greeley that their experiences had, in many small ways, shown their need for officers' status in the army. THE NURSES' EXAMINING BOARD of the District of Columbia will hold an examination for the registration of nurses, on Wednesday, May 14, 1919. Applications to be in before April 30. Apply to Margaret S. Flynn, Secretary and treasurer, 1337 K. Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Florida.—THE FLORIDA STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSES will examine applicants for state registration at the Leon County Court House, Tallahassee, May 19 and 20. For information and application blanks, address Mrs. Louisa B. Benham, Secretary-treasurer, 738 Talleyrand Avenue, Jacksonville.

Kansas.—THE KANSAS STATE BOARD FOR EXAMINATION AND REGISTRATION OF NURSES will hold an examination for state registration at the Lamer Hotel, Salina, May 28 and 29. Applications for this examination should be filed at least ten days previous to this date with the Secretary of the Board, Sister Mary Helena, R.N., St. Barnabas Hospital, Salina.

Kentucky.—THE KENTUCKY STATE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS will hold semi-annual examination for registration of graduate nurses at the City Hospital, Louisville, June 3 and 4, 1919, beginning at 9 a. m. For further information apply to Flora E. Keen, Secretary, Somerset, Kentucky.

Maine.—THE MAINE STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held its sixth annual meeting on January 22, at Congress Square Hotel, Portland, Miss Soule presiding. After routine business and reports, the proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws were adopted. Delegates were appointed to attend the convention of the New England Division to be held in Maine during the coming summer. It was decided to adopt one French orphan. A committee was appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of those members who had died in service or during the epidemic. At noon a delightful luncheon was enjoyed. At the afternoon session, a report of the Red Cross Committee was given by Miss Dearness. Election of officers followed: President, Lucy Potter; vice presidents, Margaret Dearness, Mrs. Sarah Hayden; secretary, Katharine Keating; treasurer, Betsy Edgecomb; auditor, Maude Stone. Chairmen of committees are: Ways and Means, Miss Harris; League of Nursing Education, Miss Clapp; Nominating, Miss Anderson; Arrangements, Miss Washburn; Public Health, Miss Sanderson. The speakers of the day were Helen Redfern and Anna Doyle. Miss Redfern, visiting instructor in training schools in Boston, spoke on the Standard Curriculum. Miss Doyle, supervising nurse of the venereal department of the United States Public Health Service, spoke on Government Plans for Control of Venereal Disease. Miss Soule then gave an address and a report of the convention in Cleveland. THE MAINE STATE BOARD OF EXAMINATION AND REGISTRATION OF NURSES will hold examinations for the registration of graduate nurses at the State House, Augusta, Me., April 16 and 17, at 10 o'clock. Application blanks may be procured from the secretary and should be filed at least ten days prior to the date of examination. Rachel A. Metcalf, Secretary-treasurer, Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston.

Maryland.—THE MARYLAND STATE BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF NURSES will hold an examination of applicants for state registration May 26 to 29. All applications should be filed with the secretary before May 10, 1919. Mary Cary Packard, Secretary, 1211 Cathedral Street, Baltimore. **Baltimore.**—On March 14, Elsie M. Lawler, principal of the Johns Hopkins Training School, arranged for Mrs.

Greeley to meet nurses of the Johns Hopkins Unit which has recently returned to America. In the evening Mrs. Greeley spoke on Rank to the Maryland State Association of Graduate Nurses.

Massachusetts.—THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STATE RELIEF FUND COMMITTEE, Esther Dart, has appointed chairmen for the different counties, as follows: Barnstable, A. Marie Hansbury; Berkshire, Fanny C. Smith; Bristol, Ella E. Garland; Dukes, Frances R. Renear; Essex, Zaidee Moore; Franklin, Anna Koch; Hampden, Sara A. Bowen; Hampshire, Mrs. Alice C. Cleland; Middlesex, Bertha Allen; Norfolk, M. E. P. Davis; Suffolk, Ursula C. Noyes; Worcester, Marietta D. Barnaby; Plymouth, Louise Buford. All contributors are asked what proportion of their donations each beneficiary shall receive. THE MASSACHUSETTS GENERAL HOSPITAL UNIT has reached home, and when the other units arrive, the State Nurses' Association will give them a suitable welcome. THE NURSES' AMENDMENT to the existing law has been discussed in the House of Representatives and has been recommitted for further revision. THE BILL FOR REGULATING THE HOURS OF LABOR has had a hearing, but as it has been before the House for the last twenty years, no uneasiness is felt just at present. It behooves the hospital authorities to regulate that situation themselves, or they may be saddled with a law detrimental to the best interests of the pupil and the hospital. THE HUNTINGTON HOSPITAL has established a six months' course for attendants. It has no training school, and the cases are chronic. Myra B. Conover is the instructor. **Springfield.**—EVA JANE PARMALE has been commended in a personal letter by General Pershing for remaining at her post of duty after being wounded in a German air raid. She, as well as Miss MacDonald of New York, was recommended for the British military medal "for exceptional bravery."

Michigan.—THE MICHIGAN STATE BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF NURSES will hold an examination at Lansing, May 20 and 21. Applications should be in the hands of the Secretary, 511 Oakland Building, Lansing at least two weeks previous to the dates of the examination.

Minnesota: Park Rapids.—THERESA ERICKSEN, formerly school nurse in Anoka, has returned from work in France and has been appointed school nurse for Hubbard County.

Nebraska.—THE NEBRASKA STATE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS will hold the next regular examination in Lincoln and Omaha, May 28 and 29. Margaret McGreevy, Secretary, State House, Lincoln.

New Jersey: Montclair.—THE MOUNTAINSIDE HOSPITAL held its thirteenth annual meeting at the Graduate Nurses' Club on February 19. Twelve graduates of the class of 1918 were accepted as members. The officers were reelected. **Jersey City.**—THE NURSES' CLUB OF HUDSON COUNTY which was organized in January, 1917, with the object of promoting education in the nursing profession and sociability among its members, has decided to start a building fund for a nurses' club house. At a dance given on February 27, at the Bergen Lyceum, about \$1200 was realized which was added to the \$50 generously donated by an honorary member, to start the fund. Any hospital graduate of good professional and moral standing residing in Hudson County is eligible to membership. There are now 102 members. The officers are: President, Mrs. Enright; vice presidents, Miss Ewing, Miss Gumper; secretary, Miss Brede, Jersey City Hospital; treasurer, Miss Jamieson; executive committee, Miss Graham, Mrs. Cosgrove, Miss Buck; chairman of the Social Committee, Mrs. M. E. Hornung.

New York: Buffalo.—DISTRICT ASSOCIATION No. 1 met on February 26 and completed its organization, electing officers as follows: President, Mrs. Hanson; vice presidents, Rosetta Burton and Mrs. Bertha Gibbons; secretary, Ella F. Sinsebox,

131 Linwood Avenue; treasurer, Clara Wurtz; directors for one year, Katherine Danner, Mollie Frawley; directors for two years, Jessie Burton, Florence Manley; directors for three years, Mary Turner, Kate I. Kennedy. The meeting was well attended and there was an evident spirit of harmony and coöperation. **Rochester.**—**DISTRICT ASSOCIATION No. 2** held a meeting on March 4 and adopted by-laws. Officers will be elected at the May meeting. **ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** held its annual meeting recently and elected the following officers: President, Anna L. Cummings; vice president, Mrs. J. Lynch; secretary, Celia Shaw, 150 Fillmore Avenue; treasurer, Helen Ward, 487 Birr Street. **THE GENESEE VALLEY NURSES' ASSOCIATION, District No. 2,** held a meeting on March 4, at which the by-laws for the district were adopted. The first regular meeting will be held on May 27, when officers will be elected. **Syracuse.**—**DISTRICT No. 4** held a meeting recently at which there were present representatives from Cortland, Auburn, Oswego, and Syracuse. Meetings will be held in April at Cortland, in June at Auburn, in October at Oswego, and in January at Syracuse. Officers elected are: President, Louise Sherwood of Syracuse; vice presidents, Isabel Smith, Miss Abbott of Cortland; secretary, Miss Morris of Auburn; treasurer, Mrs. Erhard; directors, Mrs. Kidder of Oswego, Mrs. Beecher of Cortland, Miss Fries of Auburn, Miss Concannon, Miss MacDill and Miss Hamil of Syracuse. **New York City.**—**MT. SINAI TRAINING SCHOOL** held graduation exercises for a class of fifty at the nurses' home, on March 4. **THE NEW YORK POST GRADUATE HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** has elected officers for the year 1919, as follows: President, Mrs. Franklin Dorman; vice presidents, M. A. Gibney, Mrs. Martha Prouty, Mrs. Herbert Flint, Margaret Graham; secretary, Jeanie U. Strathie, 200 W. 81 Street; Emma C. Ludwig. **JANE M. PINDELL** has resigned her position as superintendent of nurses, Flower Hospital, to accept a position with the Young Women's Christian Association as an institutional management secretary.

North Dakota.—**THE STATE BOARD OF NURSE EXAMINERS** will hold their semi-annual examination for registration of nurses, May the sixth and seventh, at Grand Forks, North Dakota. M. Clark, secretary-treasurer, Devils Lake, N. D.

Pennsylvania.—**THE ORGANIZATION OF DISTRICTS** throughout the state is coming along very well, meetings having been held and officers elected. **Philadelphia.**—**THE SAMARITAN HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** held its regular meeting February 25, in the Nurses' Home. The revised copy of by-laws approved by the American Nurses' Association was submitted and adopted. A gold star was placed on the Honor Roll in honor of Meta Hertzog. News was read of the citation by General Pershing of Edna Kingston for bravery displayed during a heavy bombardment. A sum of money was set aside to establish a Beneficial Society, in memory of the three nurses who have died recently. It will be called the Samaritan Nurses' Beneficial Society. A rest room has been secured and furnished, in the hospital, for our nurses when on special duty. A number of voluntary contributions were made for this room. **THE GRADUATE NURSES OF PHILADELPHIA** and the senior classes of the training schools gathered in the amphitheatre of the Medico-Chirurgical Hospital on March 10 to hear an address on the Need of Relative Rank for Army Nurses by Mrs. Helen Hoy Greeley of the New York bar, counsel for the National Committee to Secure Rank for Nurses. The meeting was under the auspices of the Philadelphia League for Nursing Education. Miss Murray, the president, opened the meeting and turned it over to the chairman of the arrangements committee, Sarah A. Krewson. The army nurses in the audience seemed very sympathetic.

Rhode Island: Providence.—THE HOMEOPATHIC HOSPITAL ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION gave a theatre party and dinner on February 19, in honor of Miss C. P. Van der Water, retiring superintendent of the hospital. Miss Van der Water goes to the Mt. Vernon General Hospital, New York, after four years of efficient service, both in the hospital and on the examining board. The alumnae presented her, through their president, Edith Barnard, with a brooch of pearls, expressing their regret at her departure, and wishing her Godspeed. THE RHODE ISLAND HOSPITAL NURSES' ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION at its February meeting, heard a talk by Deaconess Henrietta Goodwin of the Church Missions House, New York. THE RHODE ISLAND STATE NURSES' ASSOCIATION held a regular meeting at the Medical Library Building on February 27. Dr. Byron U. Richards of the State Board of Health told of pending legislation which affects matters of public health, Dr. Ellen Stone, of the Providence Board of Health, spoke of the work the city is doing for its children, and Ellen Atchison of the Massachusetts State Board of Health spoke of the work Massachusetts is doing for its towns in starting public health work. All the speakers were interesting and gave much valuable information. Pawtucket.—THE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL held graduating exercises on February 26 for a class of seven. Addresses were given by Dr. F. V. Hussey on Experiences with Naval Base Unit No. 4 and by Annie Clark of Whitinsville on The Nurses' Work Abroad. The diplomas were presented by C. O. Read. THE RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS OF TRAINED NURSES will examine applicants for state registration at the State House, May 15 and 16, at 9 a. m. For blanks, address the Secretary, Lucy C. Ayers, R.N., Woonsocket Hospital, Woonsocket.

BIRTHS

On December 11, at Philadelphia, a daughter, to Dr. and Mrs. Henry Graber. Mrs. Graber was Avilla Whiteman, class of 1908, Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia.

On January 4, at Philadelphia, a son to Dr. and Mrs. George Malcolm Laws. Mrs. Laws was Elizabeth Williams, class of 1910, Presbyterian Hospital,

On February 12, at Philadelphia, a daughter, to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lettinger. Mrs. Lettinger was Ruth Llewellyn, class of 1915, Presbyterian Hospital, Philadelphia.

In January, a son, John, Jr., to Dr. and Mrs. John Leedom. Mrs. Leedom was Mary McGorry, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia.

MARRIAGES

On March 1, at Neenah, Wisconsin, Mathild Helen Krueger, graduate of the Illinois Training School, Chicago, to Lieut. Thomas J. Lamping. Miss Krueger is well known in nursing circles, having been superintendent of nurses at the Lutheran Hospital, LaCrosse, and at the Farrand Training School, Detroit. She has been secretary of the American Nurses' Association and was chief nurse of the first Red Cross Unit sent to Serbia. She is president of the Committee of Examiners for Wisconsin. Lieut Lamping is at present stationed at Camp Grant, Ill.

On November 4, at the American Consulate, Salonica, Ruth Bentley, class of 1913, Long Island College Hospital, Brooklyn, to Fred C. Ells. Mr. and Mrs. Ells expect to remain in the east for a year.

At Edgewood, W. Va., Anna R. Gribben, class of 1911, St. Anne's Maternity Hospital, Cleveland, to J. E. Vensel. Mr. and Mrs. Vensel will live in Wheeling, W. Va.

On February 3, at Providence, R. I., Josephine Halton, class of 1916, Rhode Island Hospital, to Dr. Norman Baker, Captain, U. S. Army Medical Corps. Captain and Mrs. Baker are at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga. Miss Halton was a public school nurse in Providence.

On February 15, at Jersey City, N. J., Abbie Lucile Bauer, class of 1913, Christ Hospital Training School, to William Smillie Gillelan. Mr. and Mrs. Gillelan will live in Jersey City.

Mary Maud Moore, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, to William A. Gibson, of the United States Army.

Marian Martin, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, to H. Kline, of Washington, D. C.

Louise Russell, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, to Elmer Elliott. Mr. and Mrs. Elliott will live at Chestnut Hill, Pa.

On October 31, Mary Rosenberger, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, to Edward Parker, M.D. Dr. and Mrs. Parker will live in Philadelphia.

On September 19, in New York City, Agnes E. Lord, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia, to Douglas Irving Mann. Sergeant Mann is in the Medical Department, U. S. Army.

DEATHS

On October 15, in Philadelphia, of pneumonia, Mrs. Charles Cassidy. Mrs. Cassidy was May V. McCarthy, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, and an active worker in the alumnae association. Previous to her marriage she had been a successful private duty nurse.

On February 4, in New York City, suddenly, Annie T. Madden, assistant superintendent of the New York Hospital Nurses' Club. Miss Madden was a most efficient worker and a very loyal friend.

In February, at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, Ill., of influenza, Theresa Burmeister, class of 1917, St. Joseph's Hospital, Denver, Colo.

On February 20, at Memorial Hospital, Morristown, N. J., of severe burns, Edith Vanderhoof, class of 1915, Hospital of St. Barnabas, Newark.

In December, at Denver, Colo., of influenza, Mrs. Leslie J. Parker and her infant daughter. Mrs. Parker was Norma deCordova, graduate of Minnequa Hospital, Pueblo.

On January 26, at Denver, Colo., of pneumonia, Hildegard E. Miller, class of 1918, Mercy Hospital, Denver.

On December 31, in Philadelphia, of pneumonia, Carl Davis, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital. Miss Davis had been making a success of X-ray work. She was an active member of the alumnae association.

In January, at Camp McClellan, Ala., of pneumonia, Meta Hertzog, graduate of the Samaritan Hospital, Philadelphia. Before entering the Red Cross service, Miss Hertzog was a private duty nurse.

The Alumnae Association of the Philadelphia Orthopedic Hospital reports the following deaths of members: May Owens, who was in the Army service at Camp Lee; Clementine Aaron, head nurse of the Tuxedo Hospital, N. Y.; Mrs. John J. Baylss of Maryland, who was Emily Wilson.

On December 23, at the American Red Cross Hospital, Tumen, Siberia, following a short illness of typhus fever, Grace McBride. Miss McBride was a graduate of Bellevue, class of 1912, also of the Philadelphia Training School. Before coming to Siberia, in September, 1918, she had been for two and a half

years superintendent of nurses in a mission hospital at Huang Hsien, Shantung, China. During her illness she spoke of her love of her country and said she was glad she had come to Siberia. It was fitting that Dr. Teusler (head of the American Red Cross in Siberia) and staff should be passing through Tumen on the day of her death. Six American soldiers carried her body to its last resting place. The casket was covered with an American flag and a wreath, made and presented by the Czeck soldiers. Her grave is beside the graves of soldiers, Czecks and Russians, for whom she cared while in this hospital. The nurses of the Unit feel that they have lost a loyal worker and faithful friend.

Recently, in France, Gertrude O'Connor, of the Boston City Hospital Unit. Miss O'Connor had received promotion. She died of spinal meningitis and was buried in Tours.

On January 9, at Yarmouth, Mass., of pneumonia, Jessie Baldwin, class of 1888, Massachusetts General Hospital. Miss Baldwin was a member of Base Hospital No. 7, and was cited for bravery.

On November 12, at Perkins Hospital, Ella M. Schroeder, of Ellinwood, Kansas.

Recently, at Camp Sherman, Ohio, Eva Taylor, class of 1903, South Side Hospital, Pittsburgh. Miss Taylor enlisted in the fall of 1918, and has since been stationed at Camp Sherman, where she had cared for hundreds of soldiers stricken with influenza. Miss Taylor had held a position at the South Side Hospital before entering Army work.

On January 16, at the Howard A. Kelly Hospital, Baltimore, of pneumonia, following influenza, Marion E. Charlesworth, class of 1917, Hahnemann General Hospital, Baltimore. Miss Charlesworth was an excellent and faithful nurse. Her bright and cheerful disposition won her many friends among patients and nurses who mourn her death.

On December 7, at the Howard A. Kelly Hospital, Baltimore, from pneumonia, following influenza, Rose Sutor, a recent graduate of the Elkton Hospital, Elkton, Md. Miss Sutor was an excellent and conscientious nurse, of a fine Christian character, much loved by her patients and associates.

Word has recently been received of the death, in Japan, of Mrs. Kumi Sato, class of 1905, Lakeside Hospital, Cleveland, O. Miss Sato took a three-year course at Hiram College before taking her nurse's training. She was a very bright young woman, very interested in her work. She returned to Japan soon after finishing her course and engaged in obstetrical nursing. She married a teacher, but as she was head of her own family, retained her maiden name.

A CORRECTION.—The deaths of graduates and pupil nurses of the Lankenau Hospital, Philadelphia, were incorrectly reported in the March JOURNAL, page 486, as of the Lankenau Hospital, New York.